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MEMORANDUM FOR: United States Intelligence Board

SUBJECT: Coordination of Plans for New Periodic Foreign Intelligence Publications

REFERENCE: Item 3, Minutes of 146th USIB Meeting on 21 March 1961

1. The United States Intelligence Board (USIB) in the reference action agreed: (a) that the Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Intelligence Publications be dissolved and (b) that approximately one year from this date the Board would consider the advisability of re-examining daily intelligence publications disseminated widely at the SECRET level.

2. While this action will provide an annual reconsideration of daily SECRET publications, it would appear desirable to have some means of coordinating plans for any new periodic intelligence publications in the Washington headquarters area to ascertain, prior to their initiation, whether they may duplicate any existing periodic publications.

3. I believe that this would be an appropriate function to assign to the Coordination Staff, with the cooperation of USIB member agencies in reporting plans for any such new periodic publications to that Staff prior to their initiation. The Coordination Staff could promptly review any similar existing periodic publications to ascertain whether:

a. The proposed new publication duplicates in any significant respect any existing periodical.

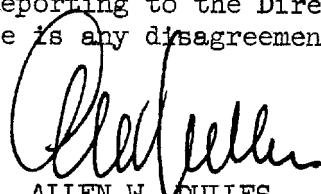
b. Modifications, if necessary, in existing periodicals could obviate the need for the proposed new publication.

4. The Coordination Staff could then advise the agency planning the new publication of its findings. If no duplication was involved, the agency would proceed with its publication. If duplication appeared to be involved, the Coordination Staff would seek a satisfactory solution or, if there were disagreement, refer the problem to the Director of Central Intelligence for decision in consultation as appropriate with USIB.

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5. Accordingly, it is recommended that the USIB agree that:

- a. Each agency planning a new periodical foreign intelligence publication in the Washington headquarters area should advise the Coordination Staff of its plans prior to initiating the publication.
- b. The Coordination Staff should study whether the new publication would duplicate any existing periodicals and seek to eliminate any such duplication in consultation with the interested agencies, reporting to the Director of Central Intelligence if there is any disagreement.



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